

SUB E2

56. (new) The carcass structure of claim 43, wherein the filling body radially extends from the annular anchoring insert, tapering away from the annular anchoring insert.

57. (new) The carcass structure of claim 43, wherein a ratio between a radial extension of the annular anchoring insert and a radial extension of the filling body is included between 0.5:1 and 2.5:1.

B3

58. (new) The carcass structure of claim 43, wherein the filling body has a hardness included between 48° and 55° Shore D at 23°C.

SUB C3

59. (new) A tyre, in particular for two-wheeled vehicles, having a carcass structure made in accordance with the method of claim 31.

60. (new) A tyre, in particular for two-wheeled vehicles, having the carcass structure of claim 43.--

REMARKS

Applicant submits this Preliminary Amendment, accompanied by a Response to Restriction Requirement, in reply to the Office Action mailed May 8, 2001. Claims 1-30 are pending in this application.

In this Amendment, Applicant adds claims to the right of priority and benefit. Additionally, Applicant cancels, without prejudice or disclaimer, claims 1-30, and adds new claims 31-60, which include the same subject matter as the original claims, to improve clarity.

The originally-filed specification, claims, abstract, and drawings fully support the amendments to the specification and the addition of new claims 31-60. No new matter was introduced.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW,
GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P.

Dated: June 8, 2001

By: 

Lawrence F. Galvin
Reg. No. 44,694

LAW OFFICES

FINNEGAN, HENDERSON,
FARABOW, GARRETT,
& DUNNER, L.L.P.
1300 I STREET, N. W.
WASHINGTON, DC 20005
202-408-4000